MARINER ENERGY INC

Form 4

October 21, 2009

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MOLOHON RICHARD A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

MARINER ENERGY INC [ME]

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

VP-Reservoir Engineering

below)

10% Owner

Other (specify

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Expires:

response...

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Estimated average

burden hours per

3235-0287

January 31,

2005

0.5

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/21/2009

ONE BRIARLAKE PLAZA, SUITE 2000, 2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON

(Street)

PARKWAY SOUTH

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Director

X_ Officer (give title

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HOUSTON, TX 77042

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities Acquired tion(A) or Disposed of		5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)	•	any	Code	(D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	4 and	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	10/21/2009		S <u>(1)</u>	5,700	D	\$ 16.5	87,028	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 14					03/02/2006	03/11/2015	Common Stock	8,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		remarking the second se					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

MOLOHON RICHARD A
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2000 WEST SAM HOUSTON PARKWAY SOUTH
HOUSTON, TX 77042

VP-Reservoir Engineering

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8. P Der Sec (Ins

Signatures

Richard A. Molohon 10/21/2009

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b-5 sales plan adopted by the reporting person on September 15, 2009. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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